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SUBJECT: LEAHY VETTING FOR MPAT TEMPEST EXPRESS-17 IN NEPAL, AUGUST 28 TO SEPTEMBER 04, 2009

¶1. This is an action request. See para three.

¶2. The following candidates have been selected for participation in the MPAT Tempest Express -17 in Nepal, which will begin on August 28, 2009. Post vetting was completed on August 11, 2009. Post requests that vetting be completed by August 21, 2009 to provide sufficient time for processing. Post requests the department conduct Leahy vetting for the following candidates:

¶1. Name: Md Mahfuz Alam
Rank: Lieutenant Colonel
Unit: 18 Engineers Battalion
Unit Location: Chittagong
Personal Number: BA - 3746
Date of Birth: 25 November 1959
Place of Birth: Naogaon, Bangladesh

¶2. Name: Sohel Uddin Pathan
Rank: Major
Unit: Army Headquarters
Unit Location: Dhaka
Personal Number: BA-5201
Date of Birth: 02 August 1975
Place of Birth: B Baria, Bangladesh

¶3. Post requests that the Department of State authorize post to make the following statement to the relevant DOD units: "Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above named individual or unit."

¶4. Post contact is Sydnee Hall, unclass e-mail: hallsh2@state.gov.

¶5. COMMENT: Embassy has no information to indicate these individuals or any units they have served in have been involved in gross violations of human rights.

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